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IMAGERY INFORMATION REPORT

DRONE ACTIVITY AT PEI-CHING/TUNG-HSIEN AIRFIELD, CHINA (S)

(S/WNINTEL) A drone and a probable drone were identified at
Pei-ching/Tung-Hsien Airfield [] China, []

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(TSR) The drone was mounted under the left wing of a turboprop BULL
(TU-4) parked on the south end of the runway (Figure 1). This is the first
time a drone has been observed mounted on an aircraft in the People's
Republic of China (PRC). Only the nose and tail sections of the drone were
visible. []

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[] The configuration and dimensions of the visible
portion of the drone are similar to many of the US Teledyne Ryan models.*

(TSR) A slightly swept-wing probable drone was identified in front
of a hangar (Figure 2). The poor quality of the imagery and a very indis-
tinct tail section preclude a more definite identification. []

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(S/WNINTEL) A turboprop BULL aircraft with a probable weapons pylon
was observed on photography [] however, no drones were
present. Neither BULL nor drones were present []

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(S/WNINTEL) The drone and probable drone appear to be of two
different types, neither of which has been previously identified in the
PRC. The identification of these drones together with the identification
and continuing presence since 1975 of a Soviet LA-17 drone at
Shuang-cheng-tzu Airfield [] indicate that the PRC has under-
way an active program for the research and development of remotely piloted
vehicles.

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*Jane's All the World's Aircraft, 1977-1978 (UNCLASSIFIED) Jane's Weapon
Systems, 1977 (UNCLASSIFIED)

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